



Economic Growth Region 1

Statistical Data Report for August 2013, Released October 2013

Regional and State Unemployment (seasonally adjusted)

Regional and state unemployment rates were little changed in August. Eighteen states and the District of Columbia had unemployment rate increases, 17 states had decreases, and 15 states had no change, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported recently. Thirty-six states and the District of Columbia had unemployment rate decreases from a year earlier, 12 states had increases, and two states had no change. The national jobless rate was little changed from July at 7.3 percent and was 0.8 percentage point lower than in August 2012.

August 2013 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Aug 2013 Rate	Jul 2013 Rate	Aug 2012 Rate
U.S.	155,971,000	144,509,000	11,462,000	7.3%	7.7%	8.2%
IN	3,177,923	2,940,433	237,490	7.5%	8.3%	8.4%
Gary Metro Div	326,019	297,219	28,800	8.8%	9.6%	9.1%
MichCity-LaP MSA	49,574	45,042	4,532	9.1%	9.9%	10.1%
EGR 1	392,594	357,944	34,650	8.8%	9.6%	9.3%
Lake County	221,205	200,393	20,812	9.4%	10.1%	9.6%
Porter County	82,713	76,437	6,276	7.6%	8.2%	7.9%
LaPorte County	49,574	45,042	4,532	9.1%	9.9%	10.1%
Newton County	6,748	6,191	557	8.3%	9.3%	10.1%
Jasper County	15,352	14,197	1,155	7.5%	8.8%	8.4%
Starke County	10,228	9,330	898	8.8%	9.8%	10.1%
Pulaski County	6,774	6,354	420	6.2%	7.0%	7.2%
Gary	29,328	25,202	4,126	14.1%	14.9%	14.1%
Hammond	33,614	30,248	3,366	10.0%	10.8%	10.0%
East Chicago	9,755	8,576	1,179	12.1%	13.3%	13.8%
Hobart	14,050	12,644	1,406	10.0%	10.0%	9.8%
Merrillville	17,469	15,842	1,627	9.3%	9.6%	9.3%
Michigan City	13,234	11,857	1,377	10.4%	11.6%	7.9%
Portage	18,035	16,363	1,672	9.3%	10.1%	9.7%
Schererville	15,333	14,326	1,007	6.6%	6.8%	7.2%
Valparaiso	15,938	14,829	1,109	7.0%	7.8%	7.9%
Crown Point	25,768	23,304	2,464	9.6%	10.8%	11.3%
LaPorte City	9,915	9,134	781	7.9%	9.1%	9.0%

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Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics



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Lake, Porter, LaPorte, Newton, Jasper, Starke and Pulaski Counties.

Unemployment Rates by State, August 2013 (seasonally adjusted)

U.S. - 7.3%

Illinois - 9.2%

Indiana - 8.1%

Kentucky - 8.4%

Michigan - 9.0%

Ohio - 7.3%

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Unemployment Rank by County, Aug 2013 (high to low)

#5 - Lake (9.4%)

#10 - LaPorte (9.1%)

#14 - Starke (8.8%)

#25 - Newton (8.3%)

#37 - Porter (7.6%)

#39 - Jasper (7.5%)

#79 - Pulaski (6.2%)

Source: Indiana Dept. of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Unemployment Claims, August 2013

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Initial Claims

Aug 3 2013 – 592^(D)
 Aug 10 2013 – 557^(D)
 Aug 17 2013 – 585^(D)
 Aug 24 2013 – 602
 Aug 31 2013 – 611

Continued Claims

Aug 3 2013 – 5,413
 Aug 10 2013 – 5,331
 Aug 17 2013 – 5,314
 Aug 24 2013 – 5,339
 Aug 31 2013 – 5,303

Total Claims*

Aug 3 2013 – 8,982
 Aug 10 2013 – 8,817
 Aug 17 2013 – 8,893
 Aug 24 2013 – 8,873
 Aug 31 2013 – 8,781

(D): Indicates one or more counties are excluded due to non-disclosure issues.

State of Indiana

Initial Claims

Aug 3 2013 – 3,931
 Aug 10 2013 – 4,227
 Aug 17 2013 – 3,872
 Aug 24 2013 – 3,869
 Aug 31 2013 – 4,157

Continued Claims

Aug 3 2013 – 39,231
 Aug 10 2013 – 39,132
 Aug 17 2013 – 38,428
 Aug 24 2013 – 38,086
 Aug 31 2013 – 37,699

Total Claims*

Aug 3 2013 – 65,094
 Aug 10 2013 – 64,971
 Aug 17 2013 – 63,709
 Aug 24 2013 – 63,090
 Aug 31 2013 – 62,571

*Total claims include EUC (Emergency Unemployment Compensation) and EB (State Extended Benefits). Please see www.hoosierdata.in.gov for additional information.

Source: IN Dept of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, UI Statistics

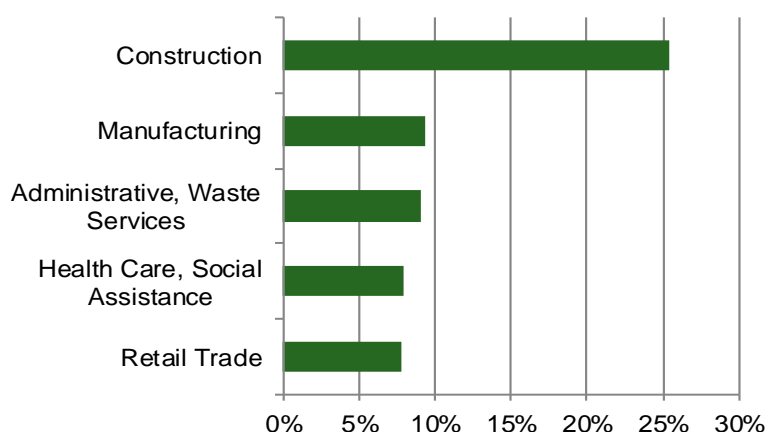
Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to August 2013 from:				
CPI Item	Aug-12	Jul-13	Aug-12	Jul-13
	U.S. City		Midwest Region*	
All Items	1.5%	0.1%	1.2%	0.1%
Food & Beverages	1.4%	0.2%	1.2%	0.1%
Housing	2.2%	0.1%	1.9%	-0.1%
Apparel	1.8%	1.2%	2.9%	2.4%
Transportation	0.0%	-0.4%	-1.3%	-0.1%
Medical Care	2.3%	0.5%	2.8%	0.6%
Recreation	0.4%	0.0%	0.6%	-0.5%
Education & Communication	1.6%	0.6%	1.4%	0.4%
Other Goods & Services	1.6%	0.2%	1.8%	0.0%

*Midwest region = Midwest Urban Average. Midwest Region includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Percentage of Unemployment Claims for Top 5 Region 1 Industries, August 2013

Distribution as a Percent of Total



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, UI Statistics

WARN Notices

There were no Region 1 WARN notices for August 2013

For information on WARN Act requirements, go to the U.S. Department of Labor Employment Training Administration Fact Sheet: <http://www.doleta.gov/programs/factsht/warn.htm>

Gary Metropolitan Division Wage and Salaried Employment, August 2013							
				Number Change	Percent Change	Number Change	Percent Change
Industry	Aug-13	Jul-13	Aug-12	Jul-13 to Aug-13		Aug-12 to Aug-13	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	271,000	268,000	272,900	3,000	1.1%	-1,900	-0.7%
Total Private Employment	238,300	238,100	238,500	200	0.1%	-200	-0.1%
GOODS PRODUCING	55,000	55,200	59,000	-200	-0.4%	-4,000	-6.8%
---Mining & Logging	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---Construction	18,100	18,200	22,200	-100	-0.6%	-4,100	-18.5%
---Manufacturing	36,700	36,800	36,600	-100	-0.3%	100	0.3%
Durable Goods	29,000	29,100	28,900	-100	-0.3%	100	0.4%
Primary Metal Mfg	18,300	18,300	18,500	0	0.0%	-200	-1.1%
Iron and Steel Mills	17,000	17,000	17,100	0	0.0%	-100	-0.6%
SERVICE PROVIDING	216,000	212,800	213,900	3,200	1.5%	2,100	1.0%
Private Service Providing	183,300	182,900	179,500	400	0.2%	3,800	2.1%
---Trade, Transp, & Utilities	59,300	59,300	56,600	0	0.0%	2,700	4.8%
Wholesale Trade	9,100	9,200	9,000	-100	-1.1%	100	1.1%
Retail Trade	34,900	34,900	32,700	0	0.0%	2,200	6.7%
Gen Merch Stores	6,900	6,900	6,700	0	0.0%	200	3.0%
Other Gen Merch Stores	3,800	3,800	3,700	0	0.0%	100	2.7%
Transp/Warehousing/Utils	15,300	15,200	14,900	100	0.7%	400	2.7%
---Information	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---Financial Activities	9,200	9,200	9,100	0	0.0%	100	1.1%
---Professional & Business	21,900	21,700	21,500	200	0.9%	400	1.9%
Employment Services	3,300	3,300	3,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---Educational & Health	46,600	46,400	46,000	200	0.4%	600	1.3%
Educational Services	6,200	6,100	6,300	100	1.6%	-100	-1.6%
Health Care/Social Assist.	40,400	40,300	39,700	100	0.3%	700	1.8%
Med/Surgical Hospitals	13,100	13,100	12,900	0	0.0%	200	1.6%
---Leisure & Hospitality	31,800	31,800	31,700	0	0.0%	100	0.3%
Arts/Entertnmt/Recn	7,000	7,100	7,100	-100	-1.4%	-100	-1.4%
Food Svcs/Drinkg Plcs	23,300	23,200	22,900	100	0.4%	400	1.8%
---Other Services	12,500	12,500	12,600	0	0.0%	-100	-0.8%
Government	32,700	29,900	34,400	2,800	9.4%	-1,700	-4.9%
---Federal Government	1,900	1,900	2,000	0	0.0%	-100	-5.0%
---State Government	4,200	3,900	4,200	300	7.7%	0	0.0%
---Local Government	26,600	24,100	28,200	2,500	10.4%	-1,600	-5.7%
Local Govt Educ Svcs	12,900	10,300	14,500	2600	25.2%	-1600	-11.0%

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Current Employment Statistics

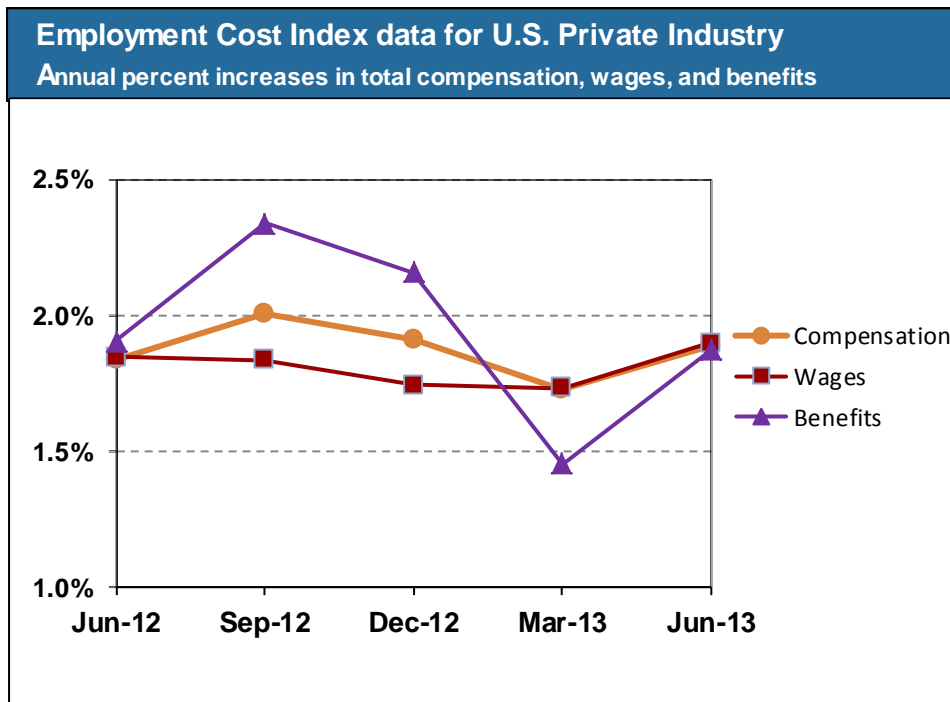
Applicant Pool Top 20 Occupations Desired by Active Applicants on Their Resumes in the Past 12 Months

- 1 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand - 1036
- 2 Helpers--Production Workers - 722
- 3 Customer Service Representatives - 700
- 4 Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other - 597
- 5 Maintenance and Repair Workers, General - 479
- 6 Cashiers - 463
- 7 Construction Laborers - 354
- 8 Office Clerks, General - 342
- 9 Managers, All Other - 300
- 10 Administrative Services Managers - 298
- 11 Structural Iron and Steel Workers - 298
- 12 Nursing Assistants - 271
- 13 Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners - 252
- 14 Stock Clerks- Stockroom, Warehouse, or Storage Yard - 235
- 15 Retail Salespersons - 230
- 16 Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants - 218
- 17 Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks - 192
- 18 Welders, Cutters, and Welder Fitters - 189
- 19 Receptionists and Information Clerks - 186
- 20 Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers - 182

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

Michigan City-LaPorte MSA Wage and Salaried Employment, August 2013							
				Number Change	Percent Change	Number Change	Percent Change
Industry	Aug-13	Jul-13	Aug-12	Jul-13 to Aug-13		Aug-12 to Aug-13	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	42,800	42,600	42,800	200	0.5%	0	0.0%
Total Private Employment	36,300	36,400	36,800	-100	-0.3%	-500	-1.4%
GOODS PRODUCING	9,700	9,800	9,900	-100	-1.0%	-200	-2.0%
---Mining, Logging, Constr	1,900	2,000	2,000	-100	-5.0%	-100	-5.0%
---Manufacturing	7,800	7,800	7,900	0	0.0%	-100	-1.3%
SERVICE PROVIDING	33,100	32,800	32,900	300	0.9%	200	0.6%
Private Service Providing	26,600	26,600	26,900	0	0.0%	-300	-1.1%
---Trade, Transp, & Utilities	8,600	8,700	8,800	-100	-1.2%	-200	-2.3%
Wholesale Trade	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	5,700	5,700	5,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---Information	200	200	300	0	0.0%	-100	-33.3%
---Financial Activities	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---Professional & Business	3,100	2,800	2,900	300	10.7%	200	6.9%
---Educational & Health	5,900	6,000	6,100	-100	-1.7%	-200	-3.3%
---Leisure & Hospitality	5,800	5,800	5,700	0	0.0%	100	1.8%
---Other Services	1,700	1,800	1,800	-100	-5.6%	-100	-5.6%
Government	6,500	6,200	6,000	300	4.8%	500	8.3%
---Federal Government	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---State Government	2,000	2,000	2,200	0	0.0%	-200	-9.1%
---Local Government	4,300	4,000	3,600	300	7.5%	700	19.4%
Local Govt Educ Svcs	2,300	2,000	1,600	300	15.0%	700	43.8%

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Current Employment Statistics



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistic, Pay & Benefits & Workplace Injuries

Frequently Listed Jobs

Top 20 Job listings by number of openings in Region 1 for the month of August 2013

- 1 Customer Service Representatives
- 2 Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers
- 3 Helpers--Production Worker
- 4 Laborers and Freight, Stock and Material Movers, Hand
- 5 Insurance Sales Agents
- 6 Demonstrators and Product Promoters
- 7 First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers
- 8 Sales Representatives, Services, All Other
- 9 Travel Agents
- 10 Financial Specialists, All Other
- 11 Maintenance and Repair Workers, General
- 12 Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators
- 13 Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
- 14 Cashiers
- 15 Tellers
- 16 Light Truck or Delivery Services Drivers
- 17 Managers, All Other
- 18 Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Workers, All Other
- 19 Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment
- 20 Shipping, Receiving, and Traffic Clerks

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

National Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries in 2012

(Excerpted from the Bureau of Labor Statistics report released August 22, 2013)

A preliminary total of 4,383 fatal work injuries were recorded in the United States in 2012, down from a revised count of 4,693 fatal work injuries in 2011, according to results from the Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI) conducted by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. The 2012 total represents the second lowest preliminary total since CFOI was first conducted in 1992. The rate of fatal work injury for U.S. workers in 2012 was 3.2 per 100,000 full-time equivalent (FTE) workers, down from a rate of 3.5 per 100,000 in 2011.

Some findings of the 2012 Fatal Injuries report

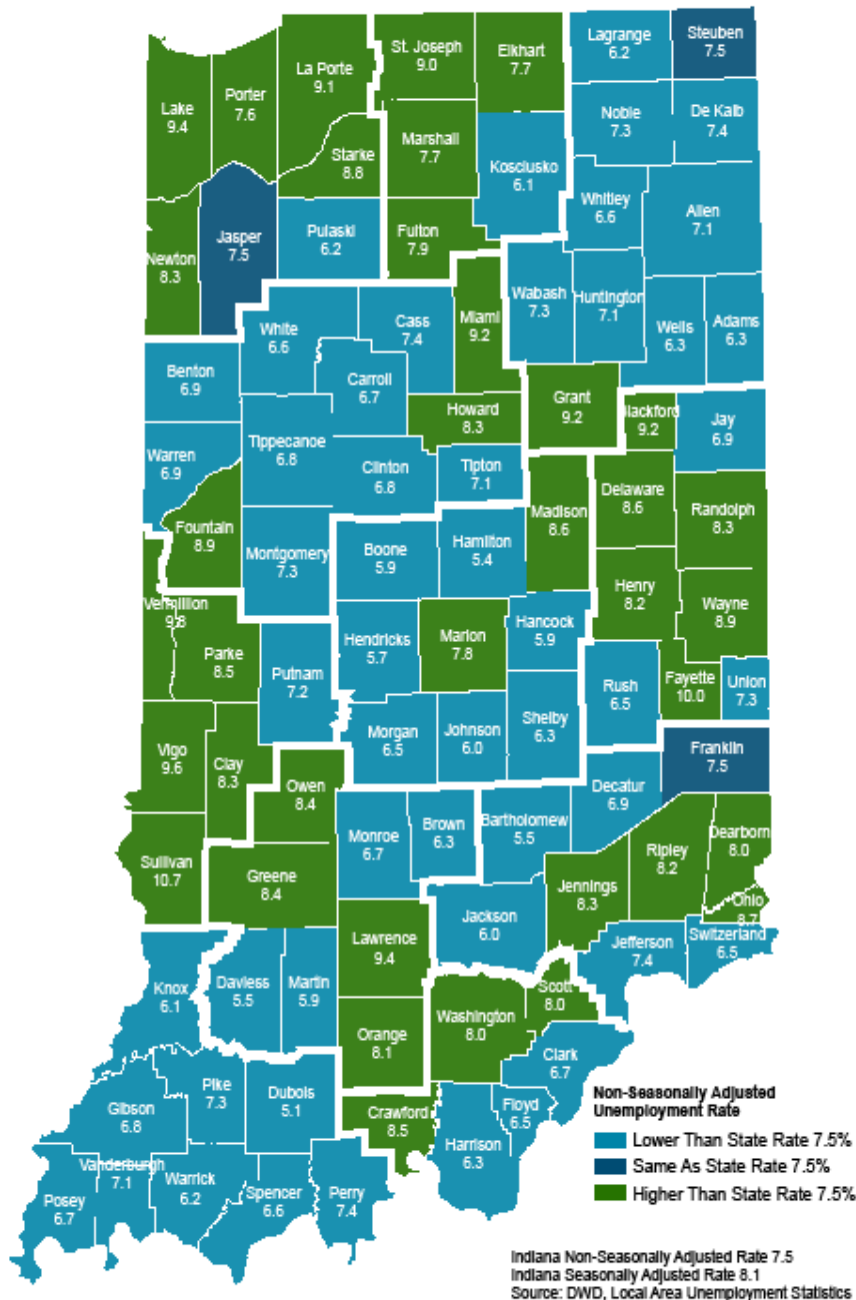
- Fatal work injuries in the private construction sector increased 5 percent to 775 in 2012 from 738 in 2011. Total hours worked in the private construction industry increased one percent in 2012. The increase in fatal occupational injuries in 2012 follows five consecutive years of declining fatal injury counts in the construction sector. Fatal construction injuries are down 37 percent since 2006.
- In 2012, 708 decedents were identified as contractors, many of whom worked in construction and transportation occupations.
- Fatal work injuries declined among non-Hispanic white workers (down 10 percent) and Hispanic or Latino workers (down 5 percent) in 2012. Fatal work injuries were higher among non-Hispanic black or African-American workers and non-Hispanic Asian workers.
- Fatal work injuries involving workers under 16 years of age nearly doubled, rising from 10 in 2011 to 19 in 2012—the highest total since 2005. Fatal work injuries in the other age groups declined in 2012. Fatal work injuries among workers 55 years of age and older declined for the second straight year.
- Work-related suicides declined 10 percent from 2011 totals, but violence accounted for about 17 percent of all fatal work injuries in 2012.
- Fatal work injuries in the private mining sector rose in 2012, led by an increase in fatal injuries to workers in oil and gas extraction industries. Fatal work injuries in oil and gas extraction industries rose 23 percent to 138 in 2012, reaching a new high for the series.

For the full BLS report on fatal occupational injuries in pdf format including data tables, click the Internet link: [2012 Fatal Occupational Injury report](#)

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